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DISARM!

LABOUR'S NATIONAL SLOGAN.

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE SOUGHT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, July 23.
In the House of Commons a disarmament debate was initiated by Mr. Ramsay-Macdonald, moving a Labour Party resolution deplored the enormous, growing expenditure on the Forces. This was again beginning the competition in armaments and depleting the resources for social service. The resolution urged the Government to take immediate steps to call an international disarmament conference. Mr. Ramsay Macdonald said the League of Nations was mentioned because he wished the United States to join the conference. He described the Singapore naval base project as a colossal folly, a wild and wanton escapade. He said the competition in the air had started it, and it was very difficult to say who was responsible. There was no enemy and no threat at Singapore. In certain circumstances the line of our commercial communications might be cut and one maritime nation in the north might send a fleet on two days' sail to menace the coast of one of the self-governing nations in the British Commonwealth. That was all. We could say we had no intention of threatening anybody, and that might be perfectly true; but would the Japanese believe it?

"HAZARDOUS ADVENTURE."

Mr. Asquith said he was sceptical of any strategic advantage out of the Singapore base, the construction of which will involve an immeasurable expenditure which it will be impossible to confine £10,000,000. Mr. Asquith strongly appealed to the Government to stay its hands until the scheme had been submitted to the Imperial Conference and all the expert opinion on which this disputable and hazardous adventure was founded had been placed before Parliament.

"MOMENT INOPPORTUNE."
Mr. Baldwin, the Premier, said that the Government believed that any attempt at this moment to convene an international conference would not only not lead to success, but it would lead to an indefinite postponement of any possibility of achieving the end they all desired. He expressed the opinion that the moment could not arrive to approach the problem with any chance of success until the condition of Europe with regard to reparations and security of frontiers had been settled. The motion was defeated by 266 to 169 votes.

"CHEAPER THAN CABLES."
EMPIRE WIRELESS MESSAGES.

LICENCE FOR MARCONIS.

LONDON, July 23.
The Postmaster-General has informed a deputation from the Empire Press Union that he hopes the licence and agreement with the Marconi Company for an Imperial wireless service will be signed within a month.

The Government expects to have a high-power station at Rugby erected in little over twelve months hence. This will enable the Imperial wireless service to be carried out in conjunction with Marconi.

The Postmaster-General added that the charges for wireless messages will be lower than the cable rate.

AMERICAN EARTHQUAKE.

DAMAGE MOSTLY MATERIAL.

NEW YORK, July 23.
The severest shock was at San Bernardino. The damage was mostly material, but two men were injured in the collapse of a roof.

Street lights were extinguished and telephone communication was interrupted. Authentic details are being awaited.

[Severe earthquake shocks were felt in the cities of San Bernardino, Los Angeles and San Diego.]

BOXING.

WORLD'S LIGHT-WEIGHT CONTEST.

LEONARD WINS.

NEW YORK, July 24.
Benny Leonard, the holder, decisively defeated Lew Tendler on points in a 15-round bout for the world's light-weight championship.

BRITAIN'S FENCING VICTORY.

LONDON, July 24.
A fencing team representing Britain defeated a United States team by 24 to 22 matches.

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REPARATIONS.

FRANCE RECEIVES DRAFT REPLY.

THE NEXT MOVE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, July 23.
M. Poincaré discussed the British draft reply and accompanying document with prominent officials at the Quai d'Orsay in the morning and arranged to communicate the action he intends to take in the matter.

The French Cabinet is meeting on July 26.
BRITAIN DISCREET.

LONDON, July 23.
Reuter's lobbyist learns that the Ruhr debate set down for Thursday on the Foreign Office vote has been postponed as it is felt that discussion of the position will not be helpful at present.

"INTERNAL AFFAIR."

JAPAN'S NAVAL BASE VIEWS.

NATIONAL DEFENCE.

TOKYO, July 23.
Count Uchida, the Foreign Minister, in an interview, said that Japan had no understanding with Britain as regards the Singapore scheme which could be justified in view of the abrogation of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance. The base conflicted in many ways with the spirit of the Washington treaty, but it was a British internal affair and Japan could not interfere. There was nothing in Anglo-Japanese relations requiring such an extensive undertaking as the Singapore base.

Admiral Tokarabe, Minister of the Navy, said that Japan must now look to national defence since Singapore was only two days from Formosa.

TILBURY INVOLVED.

DOCKERS' STRIKE SPREADS.

FAR EAST BOATS HELD UP.

LONDON, July 23.
Tilbury has now become involved in the unofficial dock strike. Three thousand strikers marched from Canning Town to Tilbury last night and by persuasion and intimidation induced a large number of Tilbury dockers to join their ranks. As a result work has stopped on half a dozen large cargo steamers, including two P. & O. and two Glen Line vessels and a number of smaller cargo boats. But the official Transport Workers' Union holds the opinion that as soon as the picket has been removed the men will return to work.

RUSSIA STILL OUTCAST.

UNITED STATES ADAMANT.

WASHINGTON, July 23.
Mr. Hughes adds that even were the stability of the Soviet Government and the acquiescence or submission of the Russian people thereto still an open question, Moscow's continued repudiation of international obligations would alone prevent recognition by the United States.

[An earlier cable states: In a letter to Mr. Gompers, Secretary Hughes says that the recognition of Russia by the United States cannot come while the Soviet leaders continue to evince a spirit of destruction at home and abroad.]

HOME COUNTY CRICKET.

SUSSEX LOSE AT EASTBOURNE.

LONDON, July 23.
At Eastbourne, Sussex lost to Somerset by ten wickets. Sussex's first innings amounted to 119. R. C. Robertson-Glasgow taking 7 wickets for 56; the second innings closed for 100 when the same bowler had 7 more wickets for 50 runs.

Robertson-Glasgow is an Oxford Blue.

Wales defeated Scotland by an innings and 111 runs. The Welsh innings closed at 357. Scotland replied with 61. Mercer (Glamorgan) taking 9 wickets for 24. Following on the Scotland made 186.

[In the official list there are two fixtures—one at Perth, Scotland v. Glamorgan and the other at Glasgow, West of Scotland v. J. W. H. T. Douglas's XI. Reuter is probably referring to the first-named match which is described as between Scotland and Wales.]

AUSTRALIA'S OLYMPIC PLAYERS.

MELBOURNE, July 23.
The Commonwealth contributes £5,000 to the expenses of the Australian Olympic players conditionally on the management raising an additional £7,000.

(Other news cables will be found on page 5.)

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JULY 24, 1923.

THE ONLY WAY.

Ruskin somewhere observes that the most obvious truths are always the last recognised. Certainly this can be said about armaments. Starkly clear is the fate which awaits the world if it repeats the tragic 1914 folly, yet here are the nations beginning again the same old race in armaments. And that despite the Washington agreement. That they are once more forcing the pace, with the least intention of breeding war does not help matters one little bit, as to-day's cables about the Singapore naval base easily prove. Acting upon plans drafted more than ten years ago, Britain decides to go ahead with this base. The project, she declares, does not conflict with the Washington agreement, and her word is above dispute. Then she avows that the base is not directed against anybody, it is simply one unit in Empire strategy. Japan, the great Power most concerned, accepts this explanation, admitting that the base is a British internal affair. "That's good. But now the rub." Although the base is a British internal affair, in which Japan must interfere, Japan must look to her national defence, since Singapore is only two days fast steaming from Formosa.

Taking this view, Japan has as

and that had the Colony received the full force of the typhoon it would have been of much interest from the said scientific point of view. That is the statement of an enthusiast of the man interested in his work, and we are almost inclined to hope that are long a "distinct disappointment" may be turned into something different. Experienced in the best teacher although the fees are invariably heavy. Presumably, the 1906 typhoon taught something if only the need for more shelter in the shape of refuge for smaller craft and the absolute necessity for the Observatory to be very much alive in the matter of its warnings. Both these matters now seem to be beyond reproach. What the visitation of another typhoon could teach us is not quite clear. Could we be sure that the next one would cause no damage, no loss and no inconvenience, we should almost be inclined to wish that a typhoon—the things we get are always dismissed by "old stagers" as "just a little breeze"—might come very soon. These blow the man down gates viewed from the Police Ferry at Kowloon give the imaginative a great tipe. The Harbour is as naked as it was the day it was created; save that a few ships ride the storm giving point to Kipling's "The liner she's a 'lly." We wonder what his description would have been of the "panama" which we now realise makes the harbour the picturesque scene it is. The other side of the "city" takes on a new and wondrous view—a view that is ever changing. At one time the place is plotted out—there is a smoke screen of thin sheen and at times delicate mist which in passing gives the seemingly distant hills a ghost-like appearance, an opportunity for our art-for-art's sake-and-commercial-as-well-artists to portray the place as it is when the elements are let loose. As a lover there is nothing to equal the typhoon—it reduces us all to the dead level of impotence, although it probably has served many of us to find our real selves and to open up avenues of thought and action hitherto undreamt of. A symposium on "What I did during the typhoon" would probably make interesting—if sad, reading. To many the coolness engendered by wind and rain would be hailed with joy, for as Ruskin might have said, a typhoon is but another kind of good weather. At which stage we can fittingly close by recommending a reading of Conrad's "Typhoon." If necessary, a re-reading.

Two Possibilities.

Writing on the chaos in China, on June 12, we suggested as a cure for the present parlous state of affairs a combination of Honesty and Strength as represented by Dr. Sun Yat-sen and Marshal Chang Tso-lin. Since that date, the temporary president, General Li Yuan-hung, has been driven from office through the machinations of Marshal Tsao Kun, pulling the strings from Pao-ting-fu. Present indications are that Tsao Kun's plan to bulldoze his puppets into paving the way for his becoming elected President are doomed to failure. There is little doubt that, at the present time, Chang Tso-lin is the most powerful military leader in North China and in collaboration with Dr. Sun Yat-sen he could probably soon restore order provided he had the moral support of the Powers. Chang Tso-lin, though formerly a *hung-hsueh* (horse bandit), has proved himself a capable administrator, and in the opinion of foreigners well-qualified to judge by its means "cruel and uncultured," as he is described in a *Reuter* message, dated July 22, which reads:

"Discussing the situation in China, the diplomatic correspondent of the *Observer* says: Western observers are beginning to ask themselves whether, in default of Wu Pei-fu, Chang Tso-lin may not be the strong man, whom China so urgently needs. He is cruel and uncultured, but he might prove strong enough to keep the Tuchuns in order."

We fancy most foreigners in China are hardly tired of Wu Pei-fu being suggested as the saviour of China. Since he won a "paper victory" over Chang Tso-lin in May, 1922, Wu has done little to recommend him, as a capable administrator, which is really what China needs most. Now that Dr. Sun Yat-sen has consented to a Sun-Yat-sen table conference, Chang Tso-lin may deem the occasion fitting to translate his promises into deeds. Of course, at the present, Chang Tso-lin could not be put forward as the representative of Peking, but when once it was realized in influential Chinese circles that Chang and Sun had "met on common ground," Tso-lin would probably take the advice of some of his closest friends and abandon his presidential ambitions. He can be trusted to withdraw the moment he realizes the scale is going against him, and with his elimination a round-table conference might well achieve lasting good. Without the financial backing of Tsao Kun it is not likely that General Wu Pei-fu

would prove an absolute tool of settlement. If a round-table conference is held, we shall expect to see Chang Tso-lin, in the North, and Sun Yat-sen, in the South, working towards a common goal and, from present indications, they will have the moral support of the Powers. The time is certainly propitious for such a conference though "headless Peking" somewhat complicates matters unless the Ministers can be persuaded to show a little moral courage for a change and attend a Cabinet meeting when the Premier summons one.

Today's Poem.

(When Homer Nailed.)

I think Odysseus was a fool,
Though Homer hails him wise
And full of craft:
I think a man who looked in Circé's
eyes,
And never even laughed
Once—recklessly—saw the sun
Quivering off all ambered cool,
Held out to him by hands of white
sunrise,
And never even quailed
(Once—recklessly—I think him
daft!)

—AUSLANDER.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 24.—Coronet Theatre; Experimental Marriage.

July 24.—World Theatre; May McAvoy in "A Homespun Vamp."

July 24.—Star Theatre; Nicola, the World's Greatest Magician and Illusionist. Grand change of programme.

July 22.—Band Concert, Volunteer Parade Ground, 9.15 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

July 26.—Liammet Bros., the valuable household furniture of Mr. D. Tollan at No. 2, Austin Avenue, Kowloon, at 2.45 p.m.

July 27.—Liammet Bros., valuable household furniture, at 2.30 p.m.

July 27.—Liammet Bros., valuable collection of postage stamps. Sales rooms, 6.15 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 48 hours, ending on Sunday, show two cases of plague and one of small-pox.

According to the Chinese press, an association has been formed in Woosung, the purpose of which will be to save the lives of drowning people and go to the assistance of vessels in the vicinity that may be in distress.

The new Blue Funnel Diesel oil-engine ship "Tantalus" of 10,000 tons cargo capacity, left the yard of the builders, the Caledon Shipbuilding Engineering Co., Dundee, on June 14, on an extended official trial trip.

According to the Shanghai Journal of Commerce, the Japanese government has despatched a four gunboats to Amoy with a view to using force against the Chinese if the latter refuse to listen to reason and persist in their boycott.

It is interesting to note that the first flying machine ever made in China weighed 1,600 lb., had a wing span of 38 ft. and a 160 h.p. Daimler Mercedes engine and attained a flying speed of 120 miles per hour. She was successfully lubricated with Gargoyle Mobilol "B" as supplied by the Vacuum Oil Co.

Pleading guilty to snatching a rattan gold-mounted bangle from a child on an amah's back in Square Street yesterday, a Chinese boy was this morning sentenced to ten days' jail and ten strokes. He informed the Magistrate that he had no relations and had no means of sustenance.

Chinese students at Edinburgh gained the chief successes in the athletic sports connected with the Chinese Students' Conference at Highgate, Hoddesdon, cables.

Reuter. The wife of the Chinese Charge d'Affaires distributed the prizes. The gathering was one of the largest of its kind ever held.

After many postponements due to the recent rains in Shanghai, the Mixed Doubles Championship of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association was played to a finish on July 10, on the Country Club Courts. Mr. V. A. Sheldon and Mrs. Norman defeated Mr. G. E. Whitmore and Mrs. G. S. Moss by the narrow score of 6-4 and 6-3. The lawn was in poor condition owing to the heavy rains.

The six members of the Chinese Restaurant Workers' Guild who were remanded by Mr. J. R. Wood on a charge of assault and two other workers, who were non-members, at Kennedy Town, on the 13th, were discharged after evidence had been given yesterday afternoon. In the course of the hearing reference was made to the unsuccessful strike of the guild men last year and to the animosity between masters and the strikers.

Mr. R. E. A. Webster represented the complainants and Mr. D. MacCallum defended.

We can well understand Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory in his comment that "from a scientific point of view, the week-end typhoon has

not been a distinct disappointment."

The engagement of Mr. Richard Jessel and Miss Peggy Lewis, which is announced, will unite two families well known in the annals of the law. Miss Lewis is the younger daughter of Sir George Lewis, the eminent solicitor, and granddaughter of the late Sir George Lewis, and Mr. Jessel is the second son of Sir Charles Jessel, who was connected for some years with the British North Borneo Company, and grandson of Sir George Jessel, the famous law officer and Master of the Rolls.

Callum defended.

TYphoon Weather.

FERRY SERVICE POINTS.

COMPANY'S BIG SCHEME.

"Though new and larger ferry-boats might stand severer typhoon weather," said Mr. W. S. Brown (Secretary of the Star Ferry Co.) to a *China Mail* representative this morning, "they would not materially affect the situation. The main reason for suspending the ferry service during a severe typhoon is on account of the risk of passengers being injured while embarking or disembarking."

As a matter of fact, continued Mr. Brown, "the company has plans already completed for a very much improved service. However, we can't move in the matter until we know exactly what the Government's intentions are as regards

factory established, so that the Colony might have an increased supply of bricks.

The special conditions attached to the sale included the following:—"The purchaser shall within 2 years from the date of sale expend a sum of not less than \$300,000 in the construction of a brickworks capable of turning out not less than 50,000 bricks per diem."

Mr. Wong, seen yesterday by a *China Mail* representative, acknowledged that he had been forced to pay a stiff price because he had refused to agree to the terms of another syndicate, members of which wanted a finger in the pie or "conscience money" to abstain from bidding. Mr. Wong's statement is borne out by a threatening letter sent to him through the post on July 13, signed "The Champion of Justice." A rough translation of the letter follows:

A THREATENING LETTER.

For that piece of land at Castle Peak you have paid more than \$60,000. It would have been cheaper had you come to our terms beforehand. It is too late now. You prefer to give such a large sum of money to the Hongkong Government instead of paying about \$20,000 to us (to refrain from bidding). You love the Hongkong Government more than our people. We are going to give you a few shots for the good deed you have done!"

After informing the *China Mail* man that he was handing the letter over to the Police, Mr. Wong Joy Chew introduced his nephew, Mr. Y. Y. Wong, who will be Factory Manager at Castle Peak as soon as work commences. Mr. Y. Y. Wong was educated at Ohio State University (1917-1920), after which he had two years' practical work as ceramic chemist with the Los Angeles Pressed Brick Co. He returned to China in September last and established a laboratory at Canton, where he has been testing clay on behalf of the Chen Kwong Ceramic Co., on whose behalf Mr. Wong Joy Chew purchased the site near San Hui on July 11.

ONE MILLION CAPITAL.

In outlining his uncle's plans, Mr. Y. Y. Wong said: "The Chen Kwong Ceramic Co., with registered offices at No. 237 Des Voeux Road Central, has been floated privately with a capital of \$1,000,000 in \$100 shares to manufacture tiles at Castle Peak. Later a factory will be built in Canton for the manufacture of white tiles and terra cotta.

The machinery for the plant, some of which is already here, was supplied by the Hatfield and Pendleton Steel Co., Ohio, U.S.A. and cost \$35,000 (gold) landed in Hongkong.

The buildings at Castle Peak, which will be erected under the supervision of Mr. E. M. Hazelton, architect and construction engineer to the company, will cost \$120,000. Forty-eight kilns will be built of bricks made by a softening machine, which we are erecting temporarily at Castle Peak. It is capable of turning out 15,000 bricks a day and will supply all the bricks for building kilns, dryer, factories and quarters at Castle Peak. We expect to start construction work next month and when in full swing shall employ 150 coolies. Eventually some of them should become skilled labour. We are laying down the most up-to-date plant. We shall draw draft from the kiln to dry the bricks, so that we shall be completely independent of the vagaries of the weather.

OTHER IRONS IN FIRE.

We shall not confine ourselves to brick-making; in addition to common brick, faced bricks and fire-bricks, we have two other terra cotta, enamel-ware and enameled tiles and china-ware, which is commonly known as porcelain.

FEAR NO COMPETITION.

Asked whether when conditions

in China were normal again, competition would not be too strong for the Castle Peak concern, Mr. Y. Y. Wong said: "Freight rates from Peking or Tientsin will prevent any serious competition. As an example, Peking fire-bricks cost

\$135 per thousand in Hongkong.

We can make them for \$15 per thousand at Castle Peak and the

journey by water to Hongkong is only a matter of hours. Passenger

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CASTLE PEAK BRICK WORKS.

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SHU HING, July 22.

Another attempt to flout the British flag by a Chinese military officer on board a ship in Chinese waters occurred when the a.s. "Ko Chow" passed through here on her way from Wuchow to Hongkong.

The "Ko Chow," which flies the British flag, had stopped to land and take up passengers. While lying alongside, a batch of Sun Yat-sen's soldiers under an officer boarded the vessel and proceeded to search the ship and the passengers' bags. In one passenger's luggage they found three opium pipes. They immediately dragged the traveller to the *Kingway*, ostensibly to put him on shore, but the ship's officers intervened.

The Captain protested vigorously against the Chinese soldiers interfering with passengers, who at the time were under the British flag and were not engaged in smuggling arms or ammunition. The military released the passenger and his luggage and the ship proceeded on her voyage down the river.

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LOCAL CHINESE BOY KIDNAPPED.

THREE MEN CHARGED.

Three Chinese were charged before Mr. C. D. Melbourne this morning with kidnapping a Chinese boy, 11 years of age.

First accused pleaded guilty, admitting that the boy came to him asking for food thus tempting him to kidnap him. The other two entered pleas of "not guilty." On the application of the police, the case was formally remanded for one week.

It appears that the boy was a playmate of the first accused, who it is alleged took him to Mongkok. Second accused is stated to have sold the boy for \$3. The boy has not been recovered, but the police hope to bring him back in a short time.

CHINESE FOOTBALL TOUR FUND.

The South China Athletic Association acknowledges with thanks the following further donations to the above fund:

Messrs. Tai Hing Knitting Factory, \$25.00

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Messrs. Oriental Commercial Bank, Ltd., \$10.00

Mr. W. A. Butterfield, \$10.00

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STEAMER ASHORE ON
HAINAN.

[*China Mail Special.*]

SINGAPORE, July 24.

A Rangoon message states that wireless S.O.S. signals have been received from the steamer "Selstan" which is ashore on the east end of Hainan. Water in the No. 3 tank and the ends are full.

[The s.s. "Selstan" is owned by Messrs. H. M. Al. Nemazee of Prince's Building. She was on her way from Hongay to Swatow with a cargo of coal.]

LOSING HEART

LATEST PEKING CABINET
CRISIS.

PEKING, July 23.

Last week, owing to Wang Komin's declining the portfolio of Finance, and the illness of Kao Ling-wei, the few remaining members of the Cabinet lost heart.

Wu Yu-in proceeded to Tientsin ostensibly to discuss the situation with Tsao Ao-ji, but it was reported that he was not inclined to return.

The country then was on the verge of being without a Cabinet, as well as without a President and without a Parliament.

At this critical stage, Tsao Kuan sent an urgent message to Dr. Wellington Koo urging him to take up office, pointing out that as Foreign Minister he would be the head of the Cabinet, and thus practically be Acting President.

Wu Yu-in, who returned from Tientsin, attends office this afternoon.

The Cabinet has dispatched General Hsien Ping-chi to persuade Wang Komin to become Finance Minister.

No answer has been received from Wang Komin, but it is generally believed that he will not accept.

The names of Pan Fu and Wang Shih-yuan are mentioned in connection with this office:—Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

STEAMERS FIRED ON.

MORE TROUBLE AT
CHUNG KING.

PEKING, July 23.

The Kweichow troops who are now besieging Chungking are reported to have entered the suburbs on the left river bank. Communication with Chungking is practically cut off. Steamers entering or leaving port are being fired at indiscriminately by the troops.

Reports from Honan state that General Tsai Chi-yu, a Kuomintangite, is preparing to oppose Chao Heng-ti. The latter had despatched troops from Changsha against General Tsai Chi-yu, but these proved unreliable and are returning to Changsha.

Martial law, which had been withdrawn at Changsha, has again been proclaimed on account of the threatened civil war:—Courtesy *Daily Bulletin*.

THE TYPHOON.

COLONY BREATHES
FREELY AGAIN.

The Colony is breathing normally again after the week-end typhoon scare. The ordinary traffic of the harbour has been resumed and the inconsiderable damage done by the blow has mostly been repaired. Besides the "New Matilda," which was blown ashore at Stonecutters and was successfully refloated yesterday afternoon, the Wuchow steamer "Kwong Ying" had something of an experience. She was anchored off the Kwong Fook Cheung Shipyards at Cheungshawan awaiting overhaul and during Sunday night's blow one of her anchor chains snapped. She was blown some distance from the shipyard but escaped damage.

VILLAGES DAMAGED.

Reports have come in from the Nam Tau and Hau Hoi districts, in Chinese territory just beyond the Samchun River border, that some damage has been done by the typhoon there. During the storm one house was struck by lightning and the three occupants killed. In some places crops of rice planted early were damaged by the wind and rain while in both places several old houses partially collapsed.

FISHING FLEETS SAFE.

The fishing fleets attached to Cheung Chau Island, Aberdeen, Shaukiwan in British territory, the fleet which makes Macao its home and smaller fleets which coast from the border up the Tigris, are all reported safe as they seemed to have had ample warning. Most of the junks are out for fairly long periods at this time of the year and it would be fatal if any of them were caught in a storm.

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG NOTES AND
COMMENT.

IMPROVED TONE.

With the shipping companies again accepting freights for Wuchow a better tone has set in all the markets for commodities which are exported to the up-country. It was stated by one of the shipping companies which operate two steamers between Wuchow and Hongkong that they could not find enough room for yarn and had to refuse a number of offers. A big trade is done in this article and the recent cessation has brought on a shortage in the interior.

RICE.

Activity has been the keynote of the local rice market this morning with agents buying for Canton and the West River. Prices are reported as being very high in the more isolated districts. Arrivals have not been numerous and the general tone is good with prices steady.

SUGAR.

A little buying in Java rough whites and rough browns for Kwangtung in anticipation of the autumn festival took place this morning but with little effect on the almost dead market.

AMERICAN FLOUR.

There is no change to record. The market is steady with dealers trying to put up prices. As actual shipments away are small they have not been successful the majority of the transactions being in the nature of speculations.

METALS.

Zinc Plates.—Further bookings in this class are reported at the price mentioned last week, viz. £46 per ton c.i.f. Hongkong, ex Godown. Some of the dealers who have bought have already sold some of their indents at small profits.

Zinc Sheets.—Against £23 per picul offered by dealers and accepted by importers for indents last week quotations to-day were £24.25.

Wire Nails.—Small business locally at the following prices:—330 usual assortment at \$10.55 per picul kg. 1/2" 1" 2" 3" at \$16.40.

It is stated that there have been heavy bookings in nails and dealers seem anxious to get rid of some of their holdings.

Steel Bars.—Nominal quotations this morning were round \$5.40, square \$5.65, flat \$6.20, with some purchases for the West River.

CLEARANCES AND
DELIVERIES.

A continual stream of cargo moving outwards was reported this morning, merchants trying to make up for the time lost owing to the typhoon. All the river steamers are going on practically fully loaded.

STEVEDORES.

The coolies employed by a firm of stevedores entering for ships which trade between the Straits, India and Hongkong have suggested to its employers that a higher rate be asked for. The masters are reported to have remonstrated with the men that the time is inopportune and the matter has been left in abeyance.

CANCELLED CONTRACTS.

QUESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, July 23.

In the House of Commons, replying to Capt. A. Ainsworth's enquiry about instances of cancelled contracts between Chinese or Japanese and British traders during the past six months, Lieut.-Colonel Buckley said that three cases of dispute which had arisen had been reported to him confidentially and he could therefore not supply any particulars.—*Reuter*.

RUBBER PROFITS.

Profits for the year ended March 31, of the Federated (Selangor) Rubber Company were £3,841 (as compared with £1,558 in the previous year), while £3,908 was brought forward, giving an available total of £7,749. It is proposed to pay a dividend of 3½ per cent, less tax, for the year (against nil) and to carry forward the balance £4,052.

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Captain Superintendent of Police, Hongkong, 24th, July, 1923.

CHINA'S BRIGANDS.

BRITISH SUBJECT
CAPTURED.

LATEST OUTRAGE.

PEKING, July 24.

A telegram from the Commissioner of Customs at Peking, Tuman, states that a British subject named Durey Wetherby has been captured by brigands at Chinhu, between Chienchwan-chow and Liukung-fu.—*Reuter*.

BURMA OILFIELD FIRES.

NATIVE STRIKERS BLAMED.

(Reuter's Service to the *China Mail*.)

RANGOON, July 23.

It is reported from the Yenangyoung oilfield, where a partial strike continues, that ten small fires have broken out recently. The Labour union has appealed for the adoption of non-violent methods.

KENYA COLONY DISPUTE.

WHITES OR INDIANS?

LONDON, July 23.

It is understood that a final decision regarding Kenya has been reached by the Cabinet.

WHO'S WHO.

LATEST CHINA COAST
CHANGES.

Mr. B. Marable, from leave, has gone second officer, "Tungchow."

Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from reserve, has gone master, "Chungking," Captain J. Legge, of the "Chungking," is on leave.

Mr. J. Beck, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Kwangtung."

Mr. S. C. Smith, chief officer, "Kwangtung," is on leave.

Mr. J. S. Turnbull, second officer, "Szechuan," has gone second officer.

Solicitors for the said Company.

NOTICE.

WE have this day authorised Mr. JOHN BARTHOLOMEW to sign our firm for procurament in Hongkong.

HOLYOAK, MASSEY & CO., LTD.

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THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF
CLUB.

HAPPY VALLEY GOLF COURSE.

OWING to heavy rains, this Course is closed until further notice.

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Hongkong, July 24, 1923.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

IN THE MATTER OF the

Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Ltd.

and

IN THE MATTER OF the

Companies Ordinance 1911-1921.

The Steamship

"CITY OF BOSTON"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 30th July, 1923, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 7th August, 1923, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the free storage period of one week.

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N. LUND, Act. Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 19, 1923.

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R. M. MACALPINE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, July 19, 1923.

Flyosan

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The B. F. s.s. "Pythons" from Liverpool left Singapore on July 20 for this port and is due here to-day.

The P. & O. s.s. "Devanah" left Shanghai for this port on July 21 at 4 p.m. and was due here to-day at 4 a.m.

The P. L. s.s. "Gothic Prince" is expected to arrive here from Keeling to-morrow.

The E. F. s.s. "Proteus" from Pacific Ports left Nagasaki on July 22 for this port and is due here on July 26.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Singapore for this port on July 23 at 4 p.m. with the outward English Mail, and is due here on July 26 at about 3 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Yokohama on July 20 a.m. left Yokohama on July 21 p.m. and is due at Vancouver on July 26.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Yokohama on July 23 at 7.30 a.m. left Yokohama on July 24 at 8 p.m. and is due at Hongkong on July 26 at 7 a.m.

The B. F. s.s. "Hyson" left New York on June 6 for Suez, Straits, Manila and Hongkong and is due here on or about August 1.

The B. F. s.s. "Patroclus" left Liverpool on July 7 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Taku and Dairen and is due here on about August 5.

The O. A. s.s. "Victoria" left here for Sandakan and Australian ports on July 7, is due at Sydney on July 25 and will sail from Sydney for Hongkong on Aug. 5 being expected here on or about Aug. 27.

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In "Good Women," the new Robertson-Cole Super-Special production adapted to the screen from the story by C. Garnier Sullivan, the question of propriety and how necessary it is for a woman to guard her reputation, is carefully brought out. The new picture was directed by Gasnier, director of the master photoplay "Kismet" and, although a decidedly different type of film, is considered equally important and interesting by Gasnier.

One of the chief characters in the picture is Anna Brucevitch, to whom domestic happiness is everything. She loves her husband Nicolai, an irresponsible musical genius. Nicolai permits his wayward fancy to stray afield and becomes infatuated with the daring theories of Katherine Brinkley, a petted heiress who considers she is entitled to "live her own life," which means defiance of conventions.

The romance of these "soul mates" does not include the simple, loving wife. To Katherine the existence of Madame Brucevitch is an incident. With the daring which is expressive of her theories, she exclaims: "If she cannot hold his love, what right has she to spoil his life?" Then comes the test which proves the first flaw in her argument against convention. Intimacy with the temperamental pianist discloses the shallows of his nature and Katherine realizes her mistake. It is now a fight to get back to her former standing in the community.

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WITH ONE THUMB.

WHAT DETECTIVE SAW IN KINEMA.

Detective-Inspector Dibley, of the Hastings Police Force, saw a man answering the description of a man wanted at Colchester on a charge of stealing money enter a local cinema. The description stated that the man was over six feet in height and had his left thumb amputated.

The detective followed him in and took a seat next to him. In the dim light he observed that the man's left thumb was missing.

The detective then invited the man outside, and after challenging him as to his name, took him into custody.

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MAGIC.

NICOLA'S MYSTERIES.
STAR THEATRE.

Nicola introduced a number of new mysteries into his programme at the Star Theatre last night. His triumph was his great hypnotic scene. The curtain rises and there, suspended in mid air, is seen a lady stretched out lengthways. By means of a wand and a hoop Nicola shows that she is neither resting on anything nor is she supported by wires.



Nicola is now presenting his famous crystal-gazing act. Cards and envelopes are handed round amongst the audience, and those fixed by a certain code word known only to the initiated, the caller is not switched on to personal communication with the Prince Minister. He is answered by one of the secretaries, who deals with the message at his direction.

The Premier's real work consists in interviewing almost continuously a procession of heads of departments and high officials of State. It is impossible to exaggerate the arduousness of this. He is constantly called upon to make, at a moment's notice, decisions of the utmost importance—decisions that may possibly affect vitally not only the British Empire, but the world at large.

THE SWEETS OF POWER.
And for all this nerve-racking work he gets paid—nothing! The Prince Minister's job is a purely honorary one. His salary—roughly about £5,000 a year—comes to him in his capacity of First Lord of the Treasury.

On the other hand, however, he tastes to the full the sweets of power. He can make or mar career. He can create Peers at will. With him rests the appointment to vacant sees of arch-bishops and bishops, and many High State offices are in his gift; such as, for example, embassies to foreign Court, and the Governorships of the various colonies and dependencies comprising our far-flung empire.

Finally, he himself, although he may be only a humble commoner, takes precedence before others of the King's subject, save only places of the Blood Royal, the Lord High Chancellor, and the Archbishops of Canterbury and York. While on his retirement, when handing the seals of office to his Sovereign, a peerage is his for the asking.

COCAINE STOCKINGS.

ALLEGED DRUG DEALER'S TRICK.

The Geneva police arrested what they allege to be members of a gang of traffickers in cocaine. The drug, the police say, was smuggled from Germany.

The chief of the gang, according to the police, is a man calling himself Robert. He is alleged to have conducted a shop as a blind for his trade. A woman would buy a pair of silk stockings there, for example, and concealed in the stockings would be a supply of cocaine. Numerous other articles concealing the drug were on sale.

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NEW GUINEA.

GERMAN BRUTALITY
TO NATIVES.

"A Woman's Impressions of German New Guinea," by Lilian Overell (Bodley Head, 12s. 6d.), is all the more interesting because it records the smaller aspects and incidents of life in a strange country which catch the eye of a woman but which most men would overlook or not trouble about.

The ownership of the island was not settled when Miss Overell was there. Few of the German planters wanted to go back to the Fatherland.

There was frequently an air of gloom about the settlers, who were waiting anxiously for the mandate to come through. They hoped England, not Australia, would have it.

Of course Australia's claim was never questioned by the Mother-country, and the island is no longer German.

The German policy with regard to the natives was severe, and in the early days cruel floggings were common. The contrast even to-day between the sullen and revengeful native of German New Guinea and the happy and fearless "brown brother" of British New Guinea is remarkable.

A PUBLIC THRASHING.

Miss Overell's picture of the German woman is not much pleasanter.

They did not speak, they yelled, they shouted, they roared, and the shuddering blacks flew to obey.

The "most turbulent" Germans were deported.

Among them was Dr. S., who was the leader in the outrageous flogging of an Australian missionary, but he was punished in a fitting manner by being himself tied down to a box and publicly thrashed.

Or this dramatic act of punishment, Miss Overell prints a photograph.

The house-boys have an embarrassing habit of never knocking.

They come noiselessly and peep to see if one is sufficiently clothed for them to venture in. If not, they retire and wait for a while before risking another peep. Nothing is more worrying than to emerge from one's room to find the bedroom boy with his back towards the door discreetly admiring the view.

SHOOTING BUTTERFLIES.

In this land of palms and sun-shine there are butterflies measuring ten inches across the wings. These fly high among the trees, and are shot with special rifles with a very small bore."

The women of Misima have an "unpleasant way of committing suicide."

If they are annoyed, they climb quickly up a tall palm tree and hurl themselves headlong on to the rocky ground below.

Cannibalism still goes on.

Not far from Port Moresby an old woman fell over a cliff and was killed. Her son helped to eat the remains and, when reprimanded, he replied in surprise, "But why waste good meat?"

When the day's work is over the blacks love to play football. Rain does not stop the game; the players put up their umbrellas.

THE WRONG SHOT.

MINER'S SUICIDE THROUGH GRIEF.

At an inquest at Frome, Somerset, on two shot-fires, Bertie Berryman and William Joseph Button, who were found dead in Mells Colliery, a portion of a pencilled note signed "B. Berryman" which was found near the bodies, was produced.

The coroner, Mr. E. Q. Louche, said Berryman accidentally fired the wrong shot, the effect of which was that Button was accidentally killed. Realising what he had done he took the cable and electric battery used for firing the shots, went about forty yards away, put a detonator in his own mouth, connected the battery and killed himself.

The note, which was in Berryman's handwriting, was not decipherable in parts. As read to the jury it ran—

I have met with a misfortune. Poor old pal has got ... Not knowing he had a cable connected, I connected a cable too...

To save trouble, I took my own life. I truthfully say it was accidental. All my belongings go to my wife and children. God bless them all and forgive me.

The jury found that Button was accidentally killed by Berryman firing the wrong shot, and that Berryman was so overcome with grief that he took his own life.

HIS PROBABLE END.

You practise that flute a good deal!

Yes, I hope to become a finished player some day, but I don't know when...

It will be when that man next door gets hold of you!

ARMAMENT SECRET.

BRITAIN'S LATEST AIR
BATTLESHIP.

The "Valentia" flying boat, with two 350-h.p. Rolls-Royce Condor engines, made a satisfactory trial flight in the Solent of fifteen minutes.

Seen end on, the section of the hull of the "Valentia" is curious. From the deck-line it slopes outwards to the water line. Under water the bottom is not quite flat, but is shaped like a very broad V. The side view shows a very deep hull with a rounded blunt nose reared up above the water in front.

She is painted grey, and looks like some monstrous sea slug.

It is usual to talk about the "roar" of an aero engine, but in the case of Eagles and Condors one should say "scream." That sounds unusual, however, but to the ear of an engineer the voice of a Rolls-Royce Condor is a very pleasing sound.

THE FLIGHT.

The "Valentia" in a flight was a sight worth seeing. Let each reader try to imagine the swelling voice of the Condors as the throttle is opened, the bow wave growing broader and whiter as the boat gathers speed, the spray dashing up on each side of the bow and forming a mist which almost hides the boat from the eyes of those behind her.

Flying boats are not designed to get off as quickly as aeroplanes. Why should they do so when the whole ocean is their aerodrome?

Seconds pass, and then suddenly the bow wave vanishes. The "Valentia" is in the air. At first she can hardly be distinguished against the background of the low-lying Hampshire coast. Then the great machine rises above the horizon, no longer a sea monster, but the greatest of all the birds.

The hull of the "Valentia" is made of Consuta double-ply wood. First the plies of wood are glued together, two or three plies as the case may be, and then a special sewing machine stitches lines of twine right through the wood as easily and accurately as a sempstress puts seams into a garment. This stitched wood is very much stronger than ordinary glued plywood.

This "Valentia" is the third boat of her class. In each case Messrs. Saunders have been responsible for the Consuta hull, while the wings and other superstructure have been produced by Messrs. Vickers. The two previous boats, however, met with bad luck and were crashed. The present "Valentia" is an improvement on her two predecessors. The span of the top plane of the "Valentia" is 112 feet. As is usual in flying boats, the lower plane is much less extensive, being only 83 feet. The reason for this is the desire to eliminate as much risk as possible of damage to the lower plane by the waves. The wing tip floats are fastened beneath the extremities of the lower plane, and it is their function to prevent the boat from capsizing when afloat. To lose or damage one of these floats is a serious matter and therefore the spars of the lower plane must be very strong and not too long.

CREW AND ARMAMENTS.

The crew of the "Valentia" is to number six—namely, two pilots, two gunners, an engineer, and a wireless operator. When not on duty these men will be able to live, sleep, and eat inside the roomy hull. It goes without saying that the boat will be heavily armed, but details of the armament must not be mentioned. The boat is intended to accompany the fleet to sea, and when necessary she will be able to float all night on the water. It is anticipated that she will be able to ride out a storm with waves six feet high.

Her top flying speed will be 100 knots, say 128 miles an hour, and at that speed her two Condor engines will each consume 40 gallons of petrol an hour. Her tanks will hold 664 gallons of petrol and 60 gallons of oil, which would give a flight endurance of over eight hours at full speed. But aircraft engines are only run at full throttle in an emergency, and at cruising speed the "Valentia" should be able to fly for 11 hours.

The launch and tests of the "Valentia" cannot be said to mark an epoch in naval aerodynamics. Nevertheless the event is notable as a welcome proof that the authorities at the Air Ministry and the Admiralty are pursuing the right policy. In the past marine aircraft have not received as much attention as is their due from a nautical people. So long as we maintain a fleet, that fleet must have aircraft.

As the eyes, and whether we go back to naval airships or not, flying boats will always be necessary.

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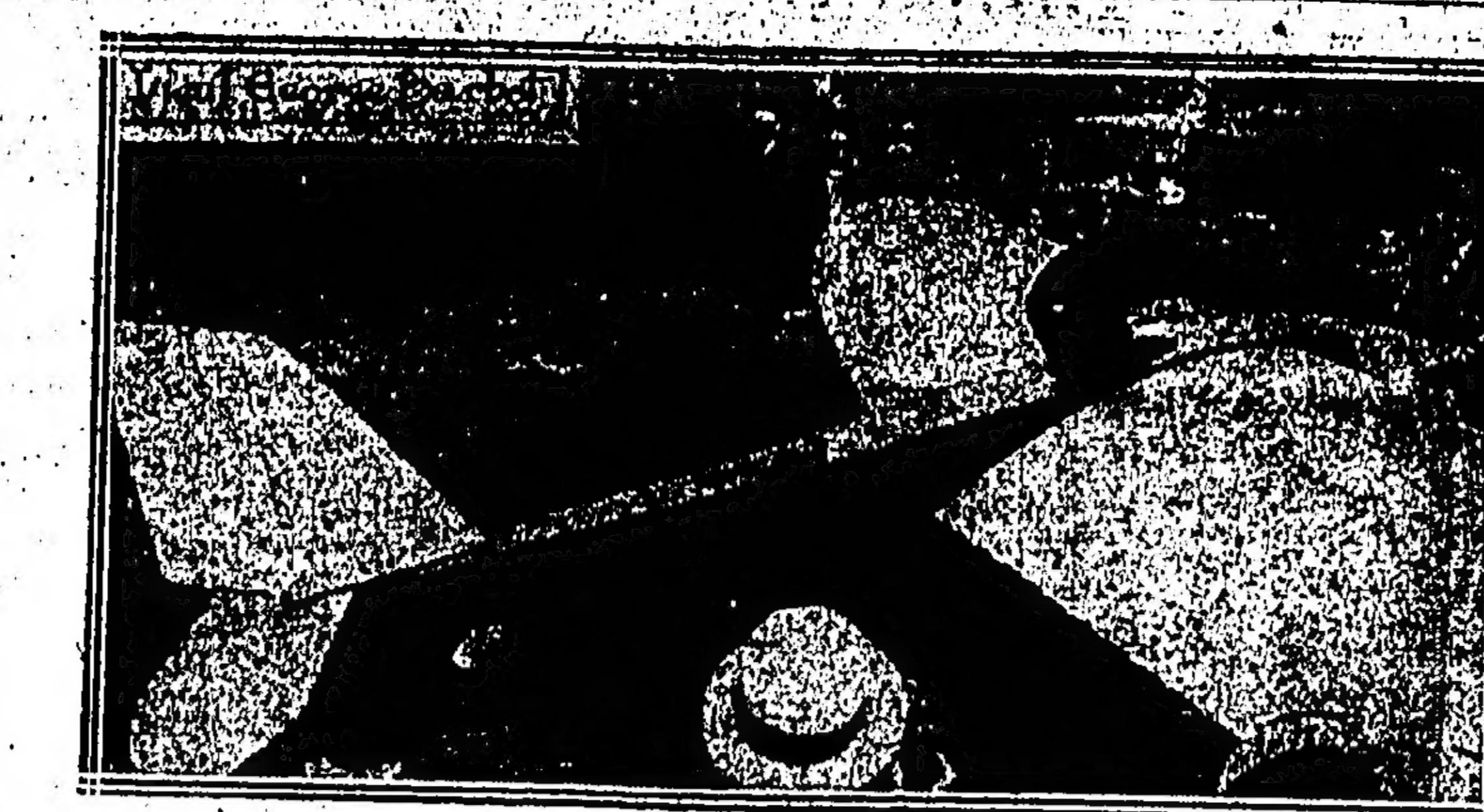
George Hearst and bride.

George Hearst, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Randolph Hearst has determined to learn journalism "from the ground up" and has secured a position with the San Francisco Examiner. He will make his home in the California city with his bride, who was Miss Blancho L. Wilbur daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Wilbur, of Idaho Falls, Idaho, one of that State's most eminent families. Recently the son of the noted publisher and his bride were guests for several weeks at the home of his parents, in New York.



Dr. Albert Calmette.

Albert D. Lasker, chairman of the United States Shipping Board and other officials of the Board have declined to take seriously the offer of the Columbia Postal Company, of Silver Creek, New York, of a billion dollars for the Government's merchant fleet. Lasker has characterized the offer as a "summer dream." "No cash has accompanied the bid," the chairman said, in Washington, "and we do not expect a sale to materialize." John W. Slack, president of the Postal Company, has denied that Henry Ford is backing his offer.



Lieutenant George Barbot's demonstration of his motor glider, or "sliver plane," as it has been nicknamed, has practically proved his contention that the time of general aeroplane travel is not far distant. The tiny monoplane, weighing only 300 pounds attained a speed of seventy miles an hour on a gallon of gasoline. The French aviator put it through severe tests, and it answered each time, just as it did in its recent flight across the English Channel. Barbot has stated that the plane, which has a fifteen-horsepower motor, can be manufactured in quantity for less than \$400.



Robert Edwards, son of Daniel Edwards, a former member of the Connecticut State Assembly, has eluded efforts of a posse of farmers, led by State police and deputy sheriffs, to capture him, after the brutal murder of his young wife, Ruby Wells Edwards, 19. The tragedy in Poverty Woods, followed an estrangement of several weeks. Edwards came upon his wife, bride of a year, walking with friends along the road, asked her to return home with him and, when she refused, shot her twice with a rifle he had, hidden under his coat. He may have committed suicide it is thought.



Prince Leopold, King Albert, Duke of Brabant, Queen Victoria, Queen Elizabeth.

The King and Queen of Spain were royally entertained on the occasion of their visit to Brussels, Belgium. This exclusive photo of two royal families together includes Queen Victoria of Spain and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium, King Alfonso of Spain and King Albert, war hero, of Belgium; Prince Leopold, Duke of Brabant and the heir to the Spanish throne.



Mrs. Hilton Philipson.

Mrs. Hilton Philipson, formerly Mabel Russell, English beauty and actress, has been elected to the House of Commons, over two men candidates—a Liberal and a Laborite. She won the seat formerly held by her husband, from Berwick-on-Tweed, as a Conservative. Philipson had previously been disqualified because of illegal acts on the part of his agent during the November general election, and a by-election had been ordered. Mrs. Philipson joins Lady Astor and Mrs. Margaret Wintringham as active women members of Parliament. She has three children.



Walter S. Josephson.

Walter S. Josephson, a modest and hard-working mechanical genius, is the first man, so far as is known, to store a highly expensive liquid for every-day use. He is shown here in his laboratory releasing from a steel bottle a vapour which is powerful enough, when turned into a cylinder jack, to lift a street car in a few seconds. Josephson's development has been acclaimed by his scientific associates as one of the foremost discoveries of the day, and in its own field will rival radio in its sphere, they say. He has been offered a fortune for his device.

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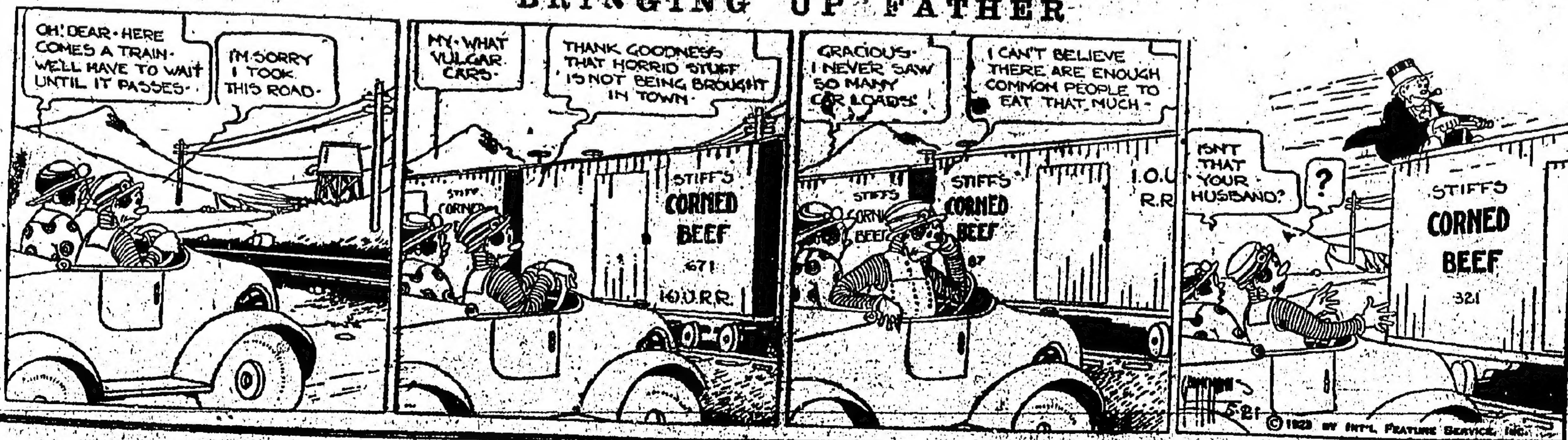
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TURKEY AND THE ALLIES.

LAUSANNE, July 22.

The report lengthily summarises the main points in which the Treaty of Peace is different from the draft treaty presented to the Turks on January 31.

Most of the points have been already published, but the Treaty also provides that the pre-war Ottoman public debt will be distributed between Turkey and the territories detached from Turkey after the Balkan and Great Wars.

The Foreign Post Offices in Turkey will be suppressed and conditions provided under which the British Empire will enjoy the cessation of the Anzac Area and visits thereto will be facilitated.

All concessions duly granted to Allied nationals before October 9, 1914, will be maintained.

The Mudania convention will remain in force until the end of the evacuation of Constantinople and the Straits, subject to all measures being taken to avoid incidents, and also subject to local agreements between the Turkish and the Allied commanders during the evacuation operations.

Turkey undertakes to admit complete freedom of passage to the fleets of the Allies through the Straits, until the Straits Convention has been enforced, and will not object to the stationing in the Straits of one cruiser and two torpedo boats, by each of the three Allies, till December 31 or until the enforcement of the Straits Convention, which ever is the earlier.

NAWB Factions.

PESHAWAR, July 22.

Further fighting is reported between the Nawab Amb and the Nawab Miangal.

The former made a surprise attack, killing fifty men, and the latter retaliated and exacted ruthless punishment.

War refugees are streaming into Peshawar.

EARTHQUAKE IN AMERICA.

NEW YORK, July 22.

A severe earthquake has occurred at San Bernardino, Los Angeles and San Diego.

PRESIDENT HARDING.

President Harding has concluded his visit to Alaska. He sailed for Vancouver aboard the transport "Henderson."

AMERICA AND THE SOVIET.

WASHINGTON, July 22.

In a letter to Mr. Samuel Gompers (President of the American Federation of Labour) Mr. Hughes says that the recognition of Russia by the United States cannot come while the Soviet leaders continue to evince a spirit of destruction at home and abroad.

EMPIRE AIR SERVICE.

LONDON, July 22.

The newspapers assert that the Government will shortly announce its decision to support, in a modified form, Commander Burney's scheme for an Empire airship service. They state that Commander Burney is ready to start building airships immediately. Government assent is secured.

The airships will be 760 feet long and 119 feet wide, capable of carrying 120 to 150 passengers at a speed of eighty miles an hour, with sufficient new non-inflammable fuel for a non-stop journey of five days. They will fly to Egypt in two and a half days, Bombay in five days, Rangoon in seven days, Singapore in eight days and Perth in eleven days.

EMPIRE COTTON GROWING.

LONDON, July 22.

M. Hyslop Bell, in a letter to the *Daily Telegraph*, drawing attention to the desirability for encouragement of Empire cotton growing, points to the spectacular increase of Japan's demands for raw cotton, and stresses the fact that last year Japan secured nearly seventy per cent. of the Indian exports of cotton, whereas the United Kingdom only took nine. Japan has now turned her attention to buying cotton from Uganda.

M. Hyslop Bell considers that it should be stipulated that Government support for the improvement of cotton crops in the Colonies would be accompanied by a proviso that the exported portion of the crop must first go to satisfy British requirements.

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